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31 KILLED, MANY HURT WHEN SHIP EXPLODES

Claim Hitler Flown Out Of Berlin

Stockholm, Oct. 5.
The Swedish semi-official news agency, TT, reported today under a Berlin dispatch that a former Luftwaffe officer who claimed to have flown Adolf Hitler and Eva Braun from Berlin to Denmark on April 26, 1945.

This would give several days before May 1, the first accepted date of Hitler's death with Braun in Berlin.

The Luftwaffe officer, Peter Beuquardt, is charged with war crimes by Poland and is awaiting trial in United Press.

Missing Pilots At Amoy

Shanghai, Oct. 6.
The China National Aviation Corporation has announced that world-fliers George Truman and Clifford Evans landed safely at Amoy after meeting a 60 knot headwind on their flight from Hong to Shanghai, says Associated Press.

Air line officials said the pair would continue on to Shanghai as soon as possible.

Chief Controller Hsing, at the Lungchow airport, had earlier reported that the pair were overdue, and all airports along the China coast had been alerted and the US Air-Sea Rescue GIC had been notified.

The two pilots left Hong Kong at 7:23 a.m. yesterday with enough gas for a 1,800-mile flight, and were scheduled to land at Kiangwan Airfield here at 3 p.m.

The two pilots left New Jersey on August 9 and thus far have spent 57 days on the trip.

They are flying Piper super-cubers, popularly known as Cub planes, specially fitted with two extra 60-gallon fuel tanks in the seat, and metal propellers. Associated Press and Reuter.

SHANGHAI TRAM
STRIKE ENDS

Shanghai, Oct. 5.
The eight-day strike of 2,000 old motormen and conductors of the French tramway company here ended this morning with the unconditional capitulation of the workers and the resumption of tram and bus services on all routes in the former French Concession.

A majority of the strikers had returned to their posts before the expiration of Mayor K. C. Wu's "Work or get fired" ultimatum.—Reuter.

Italian Premier Beats Left Attack

Rome, Oct. 5.
Premier De Gasperi last night won endorsement for his non-Communist Government when the Constituent Assembly rejected by 271 votes to 179 a motion of non-confidence presented by the Left Wing Socialist leader, Pietro Nenni.

The Communist leader, Palmiro Togliatti, immediately withdrew a similar non-confidence vote when the margin of the balloting was announced.

The 93 votes majority was more than double the 43 vote margin the Assembly gave De Gasperi when last vote of confidence was taken last June.

With Nenni's defeat and Togliatti's withdrawal a bid by the extreme Left to win a place in the government was defeated.

Starvation
Meanwhile a Berlin message reports that one out of every two German prisoners of war who returned from Russia to the American zone was starving.

General Lucius Clay, American military governor, said this in his monthly report to the War Department.

SHIP EXPLODES Harrowing Stories Of Survivors

At least 31 people are known to have died in an explosion which shattered the stern of the 1,100-ton Chinese vessel, "Pu To," on Saturday night.

More than 190 survivors, 42 injured, were brought to Hong Kong yesterday by Police launches and a Chinese Maritime Customs patrol boat.

The disaster occurred off Tai-O, just outside the Colony's waters, at 6 p.m.—two hours after the "Pu To" had left the harbour.

The vessel, bound for Hainan Island, carried 200 Chinese military personnel and their families, some civilian passengers, and a considerable quantity of army stores including ammunition.

Harbour Department sources told the "China Mail" last night that the tragedy occurred in a charted mine-field through which a clear passage had been swept.

The river-steamers "Tosha" was blown up in the same locality earlier in the year, resulting in a considerable number of casualties.

Destroyer To Rescue
HMS Constance, sent to the scene of Saturday night's disaster, returned to harbour late last night.

The destroyer's personnel assisted in rescue work and many of the survivors were treated by the ship's doctor before being sent to Hong Kong.

The Admiralty tug, "Allegiance," sent out yesterday afternoon returned last night with the ill-fated vessel's wreck lying at Lanchukok.

HMS Constance brought in the last survivor, six-year-old daughter of Captain Chan of the Central Police Station at Kowloon, Hainan Island.

The girl, accompanied by her mother, who was killed in the explosion, was on her way to join her father.

The first vessels to locate the tragedy were Chinese Customs launch C.B. the "Kuan An," yesterday at 5 a.m. she sighted a vessel drifting, with the aft portion shattered, and drew near to investigate.

About the same time two fish-pier vessels, in charge of the Police from Tai-O, arrived on the scene.

The scene that greeted the eye, according to eye-witnesses interviewed by the "China Mail," was shocking. On deck and in the holds lay numerous bodies badly mangled, some dead, some moaning and some unconscious.

Some had limbs broken, some badly crushed, and others exhausted from loss of blood.

The seriously wounded were removed to the Chinese Customs launch, which arrived at Queen's Pier at 11 a.m., bringing back 36 men, six women and two children.

At Queen's Pier a dozen ambulances were waiting. On the pier, Police Commissioner D.W. Macintosh and A.S.P. Macdonald personally directed operations.

The Hon. D.M.S. Dr. I. Newton, with Major Francis Miles, European doctors and nurses, with a large staff of stretcher bearers, were in attendance.

One of the victims, a man, died as he was being lifted on to the pier.

The rest of the survivors, numbering more than 120, were taken off the ill-fated vessel by the Police to Tai-O Police Station.

There they received first-aid treatment from Police and Naval personnel, and brought back to Hong Kong later in the day.

Master killed
Among those killed by the explosion was the master of the "Pu To" (Wong Man-sui) and the second officer.

The chief officer was among the badly injured and was brought back unconscious.

Survivors interviewed by the "China Mail" said the explosion was terrific. The entire stern of the vessel was shattered.

The Captain and the entire engine-room staff were killed outright.

A woman passenger and her seven-year-old daughter, who happened to be in the aft of the ship at the time, suffered the same fate.

Others were killed and injured either from flying fragments or from falling timber and steel plates.

Absolute panic reigned immediately after the explosion, and falling darkness added to the terror of the scene.

Interviewed by the "China Mail," Chau Chun-pak and Man Chung-sum, spokesmen for the rescued passengers, told a harrowing story of conditions on board the ship immediately following the explosion.

"Panic"
"As soon as the explosion occurred," said Man Chung-sum, an ex-military officer attached to the Kwangtung Officers' Training College, "panic gripped the members of the ship's crew."

"They ran hither and thither and appropriated all the life-saving apparatus on board."

"So great was the confusion, and so neglected were the passengers that we had to nominate one of the passengers to take charge. Chau Chun-pak, a school master, was requested to look after the women and children, while I organized a sort of self-protection corps among the men."

"We sent out signals by flashing our torches and, shortly after, two fishing junks from Tai-O came to our rescue."



Attack On Bevin

New British Alert In Palestine

Jerusalem, Oct. 5.
The British alerted many army units, posted cliff-top look-outs and intensified air patrols along much of the northern Palestine shore today amid reports that additional ships were en route with unauthorized Jewish immigrants.

British transports and the one-time tank landing ship, Snowdon Smith, sailed from Haifa for Cyprus detention camps with many of the officially estimated 4,000 Jews caught last Thursday trying to run the British blockade aboard the coastal vessels "Paducah" and "Northlands."

Some 1,500 Northlands passengers remained to be shipped.

"Bomber" Freed

Meanwhile, in Paris, Rabbi Baruch Korff, the 35-year-old co-chairman of the American Political Action Committee for Palestine, who was detained here on September 6 in connection with a reported Jewish plot to drop leaflets by air on London, was today released temporarily on bail in a recognition of 400,000 francs.

It was alleged that Korff was about to board a private plane with a load of leaflets at Toussus Le Noble airfield, 15 miles from Paris.

Eight other Jews were arrested and a printer was also detained.

Korff began a hunger strike when detained and was stated, after a week, to be in a feeble condition. On September 16, he was reported to be taking food again.—Associated Press and Reuter.

Britain's 3rd Draw Of Jap Warships Here

Three Japanese warships—Britain's third draw at Tokyo—arrived in the Colony yesterday from Japan en route to Singapore.

After refuelling, the ships will leave on Wednesday.

The ships are a first-class mine-layer, "Wakataka," a second-class transport "T-10," and a submarine-chaser, "SC-21," escorted by destroyer "Arasaka" with an American Navy Liaison Officer on board.

The "Wakataka," built in 1941 by the Harima shipbuilding company, is 320 feet in length with a displacement of 2,000 tons. It is armed with 20 guns.

The vessel was originally reported heavily damaged, and possibly sunk, in Lesser Sundaes, on March 27, 1944.

The submarine-chaser, "Arasaka," is the ex-U.S. class destroyer, "Klamath," and was damaged by a Japanese submarine on March 27, 1944.

Reds In China Drive At Changchun

CHIANG MAKES URGENT
FLIGHT TO PEIPING

Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, arrived in Peiping from Nanking today by plane to confer with his generals in North China and Manchuria over the situation in the Northeast.

Semi-official Chinese sources believed today that the Generalissimo, who was accompanied by Madame Chiang, plans a dramatic flight into the thick of the new Communist offensive in Manchuria.

Chiang's secretary said the President plans to stay in Peiping a few days, without disclosing whether he will be proceeding further before returning to Nanking.

Chinese sources, however, believed that the Generalissimo intends making use of this opportunity to inspect his beleaguered Manchuria Command and "rally" the people there with his presence.

"Arrests"
He arrived as the drive against Peiping's "Communist underground" widened still further, with arrests made even in his own North China headquarters.

Authoritative sources told the United Press that four or five persons—including high officers—were arrested in the office of General Li Tsung-jen, the Generalissimo's North China representative.

Among those arrested was the daughter of Chen Pu-wei, sometime Generalissimo's confidential secretary.

The Generalissimo and Madame Chiang were met by high officials at the airport and rode through streets lined with police.

This is the first visit by the President to North China since December, 1945.

Push On Changchun
Thousands of Government reinforcements were today pouring into Manchuria on board trains and on foot as the Communists intensified their attacks in various sectors of the North.

East in what generally is regarded as a preliminary move to an all-out offensive, adds Reuter.

Pro-Government despatches today made no effort to minimise the seriousness of the situation, saying that more than two-thirds of the Changchun-Mukden railway—between Tschiling, 40 miles north of Mukden, and Kung-chung, 40 miles south of Changchun—is at present threatened by the Communists.

Around Changchun, the Communists are reported to be attacking in the outer perimeter of the Manchurian capital, where artillery fire was audible last night.

Strict martial law is at present in force in Mukden, where General Chen Cheng, the Nationalist Commander-in-Chief, has his headquarters and where commodity prices have soared to new record heights.

Telephone communication between Changchun and Mukden has been cut.

The Communist radio monitored in Shanghai claimed today that a 60-mile stretch of the Peiping-Mukden rail line was thoroughly destroyed between Liaoning, Siping and Shan-hai-kuan.—Associated Press, Reuter and United Press.

The Hired Hand Was Peculiar

London, Oct. 5.
A farmer, L. R. Cornwell, thought his hired hand was unusual. Today he knew why.

The hired man has been identified as Jonas Grinius, 49, former Prime Minister of Lithuania and Chief of Staff of the Lithuanian Army.

Grinius signed Lithuania's mutual aid treaty with Russia in 1939. He owned 100 farms in his native land, speaks seven languages and has degrees in engineering and mechanics.

His salary is £2/12/6d. weekly. His wife earns £2 as a domestic worker.

He got 23s. weekly as a labourer. But Grinius said they were happy if only they were together and the days of concentration camps were over.—United Press.

Compared Hirohito To A Broom

Tokyo, Oct. 5.
Three Liberal Party Diet men today filed a less majestic suit in the Tokyo district court against the publishers of the "Shinso" magazine for comparing Emperor Hirohito to a broom.

The magazine produced a copy of the cartoon illustration in the magazine article, in which the publishers, Keitaro Sawa and Shiro Ishii, told the press they intended no personal malice against the Emperor.

The cartoon depicted Hirohito with a broom to a gaping body instead of his bespectacled face.

The article referred to the Emperor's recent trips to mines and schools in rural Japan.

The Diet members insisted that such disrespectful portrayals of the Emperor were punishable under the existing criminal code.—United Press.

The Weather

At 6:00 hrs. GMT (4 p.m. H.K. time) the weather was: Bar. 30.1 in. at sea level, 30.2 in. at 100 ft. WNW. at 3 to 10 knots. A tropical depression has formed in the China Sea and at 7:00 hrs. GMT was expected about 400 miles SSE of Hainan, moving W or WNW at 5 to 8 knots. The trough associated with these storms stretches from S India-China across Luzon to N of the Caroline Islands, extending eastwards to the Philippines and Japan.

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New International Communist Body

Paris, Oct. 5.
The Communist paper "L'Humanite" revealed a hitherto unannounced meeting of Communist representatives from nine European nations, including Italy and France, held in Poland at the end of September.

At the meeting closer co-ordination among the European Communist parties was ordered.

According to the newspaper the meeting, which it termed an "information conference," was attended by members of Communist parties from Yugoslavia, Rumania, Hungary, Russia, France, Italy, Czechoslovakia and workers' parties from Bulgaria and Poland.

The paper said the meeting resulted in the creation of an "Information Bureau" with headquarters in Belgrade designed to "facilitate the exchange of mutual information."

It said M. Jacques Duclos, French Communist Party secretary, headed the delegation from France.

A resolution carried by the paper the conference agreed to

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CHURCHILL WANTS WAR COSTS REPAID

Brighton, Oct. 4.

Winston Churchill demanded today that Britain bill Egypt, India and unnamed other Allied countries for helping to defend them against Japan, Germany and Italy.

He told 5,000 cheering Conservatives at the end of the Party's annual conference that debts incurred in helping others in war and the wartime sale of half of the country's foreign investments are mainly responsible for Britain's present financial plight.

He told the Conservatives to prepare for a general election at any time this year or next. While refusing to give the detailed election programme he said the Party would strive for these general objectives:

1. Establish and maintain a basic minimum standard of living below which no man or woman can fall, permit free competition above that minimum and sweep away "vast encumbrances of regulations and penalties preventing Britons from making a good living."
2. Cut Government expenditures by several hundred million sterling especially wasteful expenditure abroad.
3. End state bulk buying of food and raw materials and return to private trading.
4. Maintain the buying power of the pound.

Squandering

Mr. Churchill said that Britain has to pay many millions of pounds a year to reimburse Egypt, India and some other countries for debts incurred in defending them against the Axis.

He said, "There assuredly I consider that we should present our counter-claims for services rendered to them, because there is no doubt that on any fair accounting it is they and not we who are debtors."

He accused the Government of squandering vast sums of money in the mismanagement of Germany.

"Our policy," he said, "should be to make the Germans keep themselves and earn their own living in domestic freedom with whatever help we can give them and in accordance with the treaty of peace."

Preferences

Mr. Churchill said that Britain should not "barter away imperial preferences which play an essential part in the integrity of our world-wide system."

He said, "Nor do we believe that such action will be necessary. Even in the stress of war, at the time of the Atlantic Charter and on every subsequent occasion in my relations with President Roosevelt, I always carefully safeguarded the principle of imperial preference and this in no way prevented the growth of an ever warmer and more intimate friendship between us and our two countries."

Mr. Churchill reiterated his support of a United Europe in addition to a strong Empire and said he saw no reason why either policy should conflict with that of the United States.

Vice And Folly

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TITANIC WINS SYDNEY EPSOM HCP.

Sydney, Oct. 4.

Titanic, a 50-1 outsider, won the 43,000 Epsom Handicap in a thrilling photo finish for its joint owners, E.S. Theobald and Michael Dunn, at Randwick Racecourse today.

Titanic, (by Titan out of Ten Packer) carried seven stone and five pounds and, sustaining a fine run on the rails, won in 1 minute and 37.4 seconds, to beat C.H. Schmidt's Monogram by a neck.

Columnist, jointly owned by F.J. Smith and Frank Packer, was only a head away, third.

Monogram carried eight stone and started at 7 to 1, and Columist carried eight stone and 12 pounds, and was 5 to 2.

An outsider, C.F. Baker's Valiant Crown (Valiant Chief out of Bandrol), also won the 25,000 Australian Jockey Club Derby over one and a half miles.

Carrying eight stone and 10 pounds, and starting 12 to 1 against, Valiant Crown finished in 2 minutes 35 seconds, to win easily by two and a half lengths from J.W. Cook's Conductor, with K. Northbrook's Sovereign a further three lengths away third.

Conductor carried eight stone and 10 pounds, and started at 4 to 1, and Sovereign carried eight stone and 10 pounds and was 7 to 1.—Reuter.

ILLEGAL AMMO SEIZED

A Police raid on the 1st floor of 67 Lockhart Road on Saturday, resulted in the seizure of 677 rounds of .45 ammunition.

Two persons were arrested in connection with the seizure.

TAR FIRE IN MARINA HOUSE

A small fire on the 6th floor of Marina House shortly after 7 p.m. last night attracted considerable attention. The fire, which was confined to a quantity of tar, was extinguished on the arrival of fire appliances from Central.

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British Parliamentary Mission Due Today

The British Parliamentary Mission to China is scheduled to arrive in the Colony this afternoon by B.O.A.C. plane.

On the same plane is Sir Donald Banks, Chairman of the Anglo-Chinese Chamber of Commerce in London, who is on his way to Shanghai and Nanjing at the invitation of Chinese Government leaders.

Members of the Parliamentary Mission will be overnight guests of the Governor (Sir Alexander Grantham), and are scheduled to leave for Nanking tomorrow morning.

Sir Donald Banks is expected to stay in the Colony for two days before resuming his trip to Shanghai.

A dinner in his honour will be held by the Anglo-Chinese Economic Association at the Hong Kong Hotel tomorrow at 7.30 p.m. (Dress is optional).

17 Drown When Fishing Junk Lost In Storm

Seventeen men, women and children lost their lives on Friday morning when a fishing junk, caught in a storm, capsized.

Five survivors, after floating on the high seas for a day and night, clinging to wooden deck boards, were picked up by another fishing junk on Saturday morning.

Fishing junk No. F279HS, with 22 persons on board including the master, Fok Tak-ming, six other men, four women, and nine boys and girls, left the harbour on September 22 for fishing grounds near Ping Ho.

They were found clinging to the canvas sails of the junk near Big Wave Bay on Saturday morning after having been in the water for almost 24 hours. They were cared for and brought to Hong Kong by Mr. Cheung Man-ching, elder of Big Wave Bay village.

DRILLING FOR OIL IN SPAIN

Madrid, Oct. 4.

Oil drillings by a Spanish-American group at Lerida in Catalonia have given "exceedingly promising" results, it was reported here today as new steps were being considered to set petrol consumption because of the dollar shortage.

The original proposals to ban all cars over 18 horsepower and only allow small cars out on alternate days, according to the number of their registration plates without any restriction of petrol supplies, were to have come into effect on Dec. 1, but have been postponed.

It is considered here that since the proposed system would have affected United States cars almost exclusively, a universal rationing system would be applied instead.—Reuter.

Personalia

Before a full congregation, the Rev. C. Percy Smith was installed as the Vicar for the cure of souls of the congregation of Christ Church, Kowloon Tong, at a ceremony at 10 a.m. yesterday.

The Very Rev. Dean A. P. Rose, who conducted the services, also delivered the sermon. The Revs. J. C. L. Wong, and E. E. Low took part in the ceremony.

The newly-installed Vicar read and subscribed to the Declaration of Oath which Mr. Edward Lee, Church Trustee, witnessed.

After the installation, the services concluded with the Sung Eucharist.

Another Disaster

According to a police report another junk disaster occurred in the same vicinity about the same time. Of 28 persons on fishing trawler No. 40, which also overturned in a storm at Sam Mun Kwan, six men and two children were the only survivors.

Chang Chun Unges Land Reform

Nanking, Oct. 5.

Addressing the closing session of the Land Administration Conference, yesterday evening, the Premier, General Chang Chun, urged officials responsible for land administration to map out plans as soon as possible to implement the policy of "equitable distribution of land" to the better livelihood of the people, as envisaged in Dr. Sun Yat-sen's Three Principles.

The Kuomintang, he added, had accomplished a good deal in certain fields in the fifty years of its existence, but the policy laid down in the principle of the people's livelihood, the ultimate goal of which is to have "every farmer own the land he tills," remains a mere slogan.—Reuter.

ASIAN ECONOMIC MOVE BY SOVIET

Lake Success, Oct. 4.

Russia has introduced a resolution in the United Nations Economic Committee for a wider membership of the proposed Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East.

The resolution says that the original membership of this Commission should be supplemented by the inclusion of all other countries of Asia and the Far East which are members of the United Nations.

Russia wants non-self-governing territories to be invited to work with the Commission on a consultative basis.—Reuter.

Democratic League Attack On Tong

Nanking, Oct. 5.

Democratic League spokesman Lo Lung-chi, republishing the verbal duel with Government Information Director Hollington Tong, dared the Government to publish "true facts" to support its charges that the League "instigated the student agitation and participated in the rebellion (against the Government)."

Lo Lung-chi said the League would welcome evidence, but stressed that it must not be falsified documents.

He added, "The Democratic League has absolutely no objection to such a step if non-partisan, right-minded persons and foreigners like myself investigate the conduct of such a step."

He repeated the League's charge that the Government was instigating the student agitation and participated in the rebellion.

PINK CUPID ON PRINCESS'S WEDDING CAKE

London, Oct. 4.

A pink and healthy cupid with a shield bearing the initials of Princess Elizabeth and Lt. Philip Mountbatten will adorn the official four-tier wedding cake, it was disclosed today.

The cupid will be crowded for elbow room with an assortment of other luscious emblems and scenes connected with the lives of the bride and groom.

The Bakers National Association Review offered these and other details of the cake decoration. The cake itself has been reduced in size from the original plans at the Princess' request that austerity be observed.

The ingredients and recipe remained secret but all corners of the Empire pitched in to create an unforgettable culinary triumph.

Designs which met with the Princess' approval call for the first tier bearing the bride's and bridegroom's crests and scenes of Windsor Castle, Balmoral Castle and Buckingham Palace.

The second tier includes the sugar painting of a night naval battle in which Mountbatten was engaged, sports scenes and a view of Princess Elizabeth taking the salute as Colonel-in-Chief of the Grenadier Guards.

FOOD GIFT FOR PRINCESS

Santiago, Oct. 4.

British residents and Chileans with British sympathies are raising a fund to buy food for distribution as a wedding gift for Princess Elizabeth.

A published appeal for funds said it had been decided after the British Embassy consulted the Princess that this was "the best and most practical form of wedding gift."

A "small token gift of Chilean origin and workmanship" will also be sent, the appeal added.—Associated Press.

31 Killed When Ship Explodes

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"Three were identified by their victims when the junka tied up alongside the Railway pier, and one of them has been detained by the Water Police."

"During the rescue operations," added Chan, "members of the crew fought to scramble on board the sinking junka. No consideration whatever was shown to the passengers—not even to the women and children and injured."

The informants said the explosion might have been caused through sulphuric acid, smuggled on board, not having been securely stored, or to leakage of the fuel used by the ship.

Ammunition

The Chinese Military Authorities had on board approximately 40 tons of ammunition, shells, gasoline, flour and medical supplies consigned to the Hainan Coastal Defence, while the Ku Hsi Middle School of Canton lost about CN\$200,000 worth of equipment.

Wong Yik-chiu, 32, salt merchant, declared that he was on his way to Hainan with his 21-year-old sister-in-law, Lui Lung, and her 40-day-old daughter. He was travelling in the steerage while the others were in the aft. The woman and child disappeared after the explosion.

It was learned from another survivor that although the ship was carrying a cargo of lumber the crew refused the passengers to use it.

The "Fu To" was an ex-Japanese transport vessel used during the occupation for the Kwangtung Coastal run under the name of "Hainan Maru."

She was among other vessels taken over from the enemy and allocated to the Kwangtung Provincial Government for operation under the Government-sponsored Kwangtung Development Fund.

It is reported that she was under charter to mercantile interests at the time of the tragedy.

The "Fu To" was normally on the Canton-Hong Kong run, and came to Hong Kong to refuel and provision on Friday.

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OBITUARY

News was received in the Colony yesterday of the death, which occurred suddenly in Devonshire on Saturday, of Mr. Harry E. Goldsmith, a resident of Hong Kong for many years.

Mr. Goldsmith, who was formerly Deputy Director of Public Works, retired before the Pacific war but returned to the Colony in 1945. He left for England early this year.

Mr. Goldsmith was a roads expert.

The Australian and Oriental Trading Co. Ltd., the Australian Oriental Lines Ltd., and the Falko Dockyard and Engineering Co. Ltd. have been re-registered as companies under the Companies Ordinance.

At its next meeting on Tuesday, the Rotary Club, Hong Kong, will hear Mr. G.D. Litchfield speak on "Hypnotism." The meeting will take place in the Aberdeen Room, Hong Kong Hotel, at 12.30 p.m.

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MAJOR POLITICAL CRISIS EXPECTED IN BRITISH ZONE

Worst-Ever Crisis Is Ahead

Washington, Oct. 5. Sir John Boyd Orr, Director General of the Food and Agricultural Organisation, declared to-day: "Only a concerted national and international action in all economic fields" could avert the worst ever food crisis this winter.

In an 83-page report, due to be delivered to the United Nations General Assembly within the next few days, Sir John warned that "unless additional steps are taken by both exporting and importing countries to mobilise more food, the calories intake in deficit countries will fall below even the unsatisfactory level of recent months."

"National and international efforts to make the best use of available supplies and increase next year's harvests must be continued and intensified. But such measures in themselves are not enough. The world's economy is so intermeshed that actions and situations in other fields profoundly affect production and distribution."

He instanced the output of farm machinery and fertilisers but laid special emphasis on sharing prices and inflation, though he did not mention any particular country.—Reuter.

SENORA DUTRA

Rio de Janeiro, Oct. 4. Mrs. Eurico Gaspar Dutra, wife of Brazil's President, was reported today in "very grave" condition after undergoing an operation last Sunday.—Associated Press.

Germans Asked To Sabotage Orders

Hamburg, Oct. 5. Leading German politicians said a major political crisis would result in the British occupation zone with the publication, this week probably, of the new American-British list of plants to be dismantled for reparations.

In the American zone, Police reported hundreds of leaflets scattered in Munich vilifying the occupation powers and exhorting Germans to sabotage military government orders. Nazi sympathisers were suspected.

American Military Government sources in Berlin said the Russians had started a Communist propaganda invasion of Western Germany which the United States and Britain were in no position to match because their newspaper supplies were so inferior.

The Russians were sending 10,000 copies of their biggest daily newspapers into such strategic centres as Munich, Nuernberg and Frankfurt. The free exchange of a newspaper in the four zones was agreed upon two weeks ago.

Unrest

Dr. Karl Arnold, Minister-President of North Rhine-Westphalia, predicted a Cabinet crisis over the dismantling list saying that "we expect the new list will cause growing unrest among the population. This unrest may make it impossible for officials of the German administration to carry on."

Alfred Kubel, Deputy Minister-President of Lower Saxony, said an Emergency Session of that State's Parliament probably would be called when the list appeared. "Don't call it nationalism or radicalism when we quit," he said. "We cannot understand why when we expect the hardest winter ever in Western Europe, further destruction is being carried out."

Kubel asserted the recent "sharp comment" by General Lucius Clay, United States Military Governor, that "if the German Unions refuse to obey orders (to dismantle plants) they can hardly expect us to keep shipping

in food to them," had "promoted the cause of the radicals in Germany."

Pamphlets

The pamphlets scattered in Munich said: "Orders of the Allied military tyrants bring disaster and destruction upon us. The uniformed quartette of scoundrels called the Control Council have become our tormentors and blood suckers. Hand in hand with these scoundrels work their German henchmen."

"Political and common criminals rule our country at present. It has become the playground for Jews, niggers, Polish highway robbers and vagabonds. Slavery, lawlessness and starvation have been imposed on the German people by a merciless enemy... Therefore, Germans, sabotage the orders of the occupying forces."

The Soviet-sponsored Socialist Unity Party of Berlin protested against the Parliamentary election to be held on Sunday in the Saar, asserting that a group of "traitors is attempting 'to turn the Saar into a French protectorate in violation of International Law.'"

Misery

Dr. Konrad Adenauer, Chairman of the Western Zones' Christian Democratic Union Party, the majority group in Rhineland-Westphalia, said his party would press for a special session of the Rhineland-Westphalia Parliament "if the dismantling list is as bad as we think it is."

Adolf Kummerow, Chairman of the Hamburg Trade Union Council, addressed an open letter to General Clay, saying: "If the dismantling schedule is carried out the British and American Governments would have either to supply us with new machinery as replacements or to grant us credits to buy more. We are not resisting reparations. Quite the contrary. We know that Germany will have to work until our fingernails bleed but we do not want to deepen the misery we are in by measures we don't think are right and which we think could be changed after thorough investigation."—Associated Press.

Monty's Resignation Denial

London, Oct. 4. A War Office spokesman tonight issued a categorical denial of a report in a Sunday newspaper that Field Marshal Viscount Montgomery, Chief of Imperial General Staff, was about to resign from his post.

The tabloid, the Sunday Pictorial, which published a report on its front page under the headline: "Will Monty resign?", declared that there was speculation in Government

MINERS ASK INCREASE IN WAGES

London, Oct. 4. The Executive Committee of the National Union of Mine Workers proposed today a weekly wage increase for over 700,000 workers in Britain's nationalised mines.

Most miners at present receive a basic wage of £3 a week for a 7½-hour day and four-day week.—Associated Press.

circles on Viscount Montgomery's future.

Viscount Montgomery, the paper said, "is uneasy in the task of maintaining an efficient military organisation with inefficient officers. Montgomery is a leader not a stooge."

"His advice in military affairs was bound to be in conflict with Cabinet conclusions and, with the needs of industry having overriding consideration, it is unlikely that he will be content with a 'make and mend' policy for the Army which reduces his office to that of chief clerk for a vast rearmament campaign."—Reuter.

Reds Lack Support In Greece

Washington, Oct. 4. Mr. Loy W. Henderson, Director of the State Department's Near Eastern and African Affairs, back from a first-hand study of conditions in Greece, said here tonight that United States aid to Greece was "towards lasting peace."

It was based on the ability and willingness of free Democratic actions to fulfil the purpose of the United Nations, he said.

There was an unfounded idea that the United States Government in its desire to assist Greece had gone into the business of overthrowing or setting up a Government there. It was true that the United States was convinced that aid to Greece would more effectively under a Greek Government supported by an overwhelming majority of loyal Greek people. The United States, however, with its desire to aid Greece in maintaining its independence, had not at any time attempted to force any particular Government on Greece.

Mr. Henderson said that Communists had attempted to foment on the world a misconception that Greek guerrillas fighting in the hills were engaged in a struggle for freedom and democracy.

The hard core of Communists and convinced followers did not exceed about 30 or 40 percent and the remainder were common criminals and bandits who had become the tools of their Communist leaders.

A United States observer had said that if the northern Greek frontier could be sealed and the flow of supplies stopped, guerrilla activities in Greece might well be down by half within a month.—Reuter.

U.S. GESTURE TO ITALY

Rome, Oct. 4. Count Carlo Sforza, Foreign Minister, told the Assembly today that the United States had unofficially promised to leave to Italy those Italian warships which will be allocated to the United States under the recently signed peace treaty with Italy.

He said that the United States Government "would be glad if a similar decision was taken by the other nations who signed the treaty."—Reuter.

SHORT SKIRTS STILL MASTERS IN STYLE ARGUMENT

Paris, Oct. 4. The Duchess of Windsor, a prophet of fashion un-honoured in the country of her title, today took the British line in the Battle of the Hemline.

Speaking from Paris—home of the long skirt drumbeaters—the American-born duchess declared, "I have not changed the length of my skirt and what's more I do not intend to."

The Duchess declined to say whether she discussed her decision with the Duke who is currently in London where opposition to the new hemline is loudest and strongest.

A tour of Paris' leading dress salons which advocated the long skirt redoubled the Duchess' determination to observe the status quo.

Personally one of the world's 10 best-dressed women, the former Wally Simpson undoubtedly will step into the rotogravures again with her scheduled arrival in the United States with the Duke—before the wedding of Princess Elizabeth.

The Duke has refused to attend the wedding without the Duchess. Once again, in nearly 10 years of royal slights, the former Baltimore beauty failed to win sufficient court favour to justify a wedding invitation.

Conspiracy

Nevertheless, the Duchess lines up squarely with the British attitude—official and social—on exposed calves.

As an international fashion leader she stands beside her husband's favourite niece, Princess Elizabeth, in condemning fashion decrees to drop the skirtline. The Princess let her opposition be known last week.

Shadler support for the Duchess came from within Paris itself, where the demand for long skirts as a conspiracy against sex appeal. One of the many girls claiming the name Marie, along the Boulevard Malesherbes said: "Those full skirts look like bathrobes to me."

Still Masters

A sidewalk count from the famous Cafe de la Paix today showed that short skirts were still masters of the style controversy.

In a half-hour observation, during which women passed at the rate of 50 per minute, only three dresses were observed which could be classed anywhere near the long category.

Most of them dropped a normal two inches or so below the bend while many still left a shapely knee revealed.

At one point the correspondent, whose eyes were trained at a low level, thought he observed a shocking trend in reverse when he spotted a pair of legs exposed midway between the knee and the hip.

It was a French Boy Scout in shorts.—United Press.

Food Warning To Germans

Berlin, Oct. 4. The German Bizonal Food and Agricultural Organisation today warned Germans in the British and American zones that "under no circumstances" would additional food imports be distributed to make up for German failure to meet the grain delivery quotas from the Anglo-American zones.

The seven provinces of the two zones must deliver 8,100,000 tons of grain for human consumption to maintain the food ration in the area at the officially established level.

Germans would get less if German food officials failed to meet the minimum set for each province.—Reuter.

American Dead Leave Belgium

Antwerp, Oct. 4. Thousands of Belgians joined with high American officials today in reverent tribute to 5,000 American soldiers dead who sailed for home on board the United States Army transport Joseph V. Connolly.

The crowds massed in the centuries-old Grand Plaza of this ancient city to honour the first home-bound contingent of soldiers dead whose return was requested by their families. The transport is scheduled to arrive in New York Harbour about Oct. 23.

General Lucius D. Clay, American Military Governor, in Germany, stood before a column of one of the soldiers and declared: "We have not yet found the peace for which these men died in their youth."—Associated Press.

Plan For Far East Urged

Lake Success, Oct. 4. The Philippines today urged the establishment of another "Marshall plan" to investigate under-developed areas such as Asia.

Philippines' Senator Miguel Cuardernu told the United Nations Economic Committee that he regretted that the Marshall plan report on dollar aid to Europe was not available for under-developed areas.

Such a report was highly desirable to obtain a picture of the world's needs and to plan a systematic distribution of the resources available, he said.

Senator Cuardernu supported India's contention that more attention should be paid to the needs of the under-developed countries in world reconstruction.

"The tendency to give secondary place to such areas was unsound, he said."

"The tide of recovery ought to proceed at an ever-flowing rate all over the globe."—Reuter.

ANGLO-DANISH DEADLOCK

London, Oct. 5. Anglo-Danish talks on the supply of bacon, eggs and butter to Britain have broken down for the second time in less than three weeks, the Treasury announced—again over the question of price.

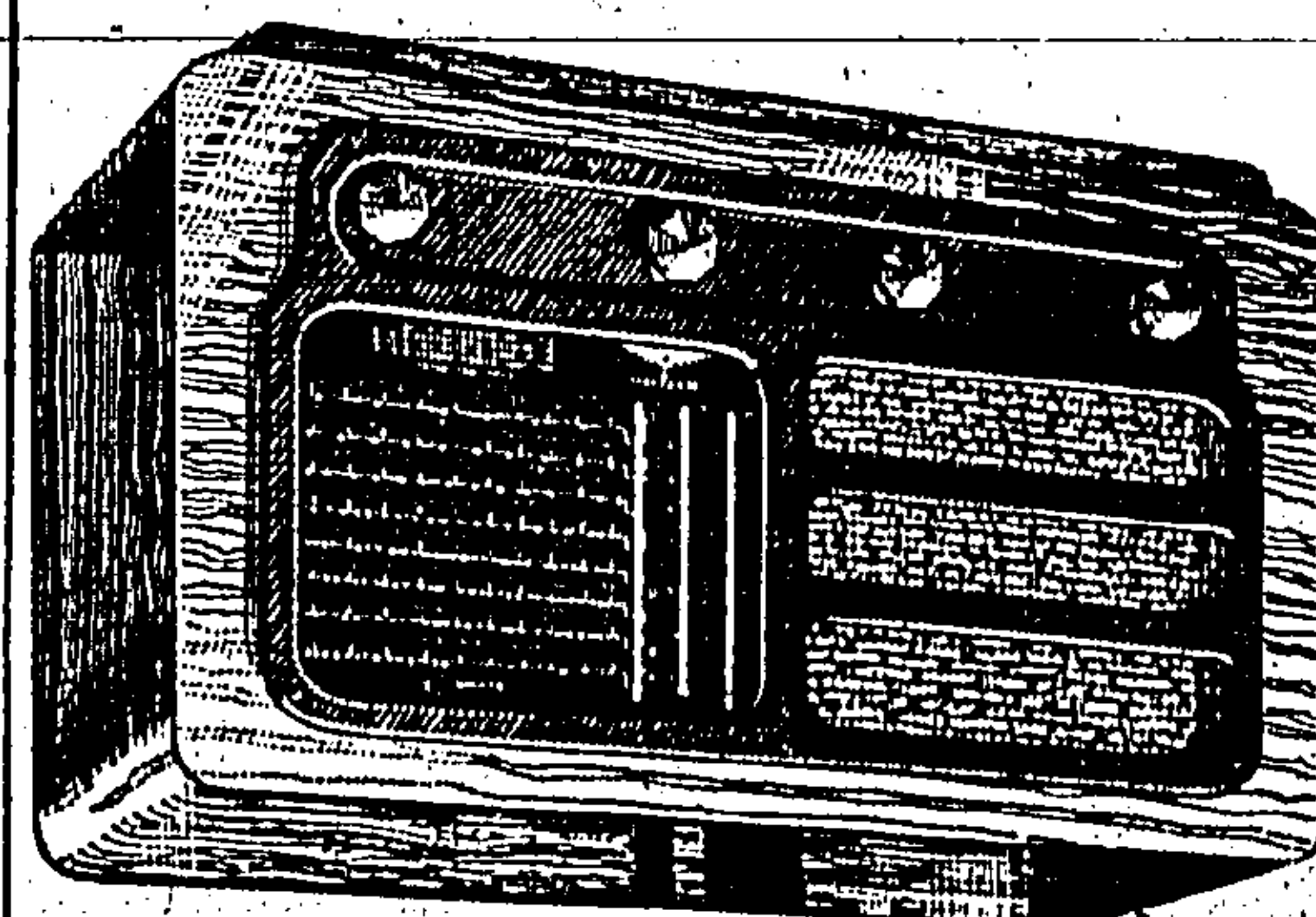
The Treasury said that no method had been found for bridging the "wide discrepancy" between bid and asked prices.—As sociated Press.

STRIKE SERVICE

London, Oct. 4. Pan-American Airways today announced the opening of a new trans-Atlantic service—the transportation of Americans stranded in London and the Continent by a strike on the rival American Overseas Airlines.

Effective at noon tomorrow Pan-Am will reserve 20 seats on each plane of its augmented service for strike-bound passengers. The extra service will operate until the end of the strike.—United Press.

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NOTICE

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As from Monday the 6th October the Secretary's Office will be transferred to Prince's Building, Room 233, second floor. Telephone No. 32340. Until further notice all accounts are still to be paid at the office of Messrs. Percy Smith & Co., Room 212 Windsor House.

D. W. MUNTUN
Secretary

NOTICE

REMINDER THE HONG KONG REEL CLUB

The Annual General Meeting of the Hong Kong Reel Club will be held at the Helena May Institute at 5.30 p.m. this afternoon.

Mrs. J. SHEWAN,
Acting Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong 6th October, 1947.

THE SPORTS CLUB

Selling Lotteries for the Cantala Handicap (both Sections) Canberra Handicap (1st Section) and Kwangtung Handicap will be held on Wednesday 8th October, 1947 at 5.30 p.m. sharp.

H. S. YUNG,
Hon. Secretary.

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The above-mentioned articles will be open for inspection at their respective Godowns on 6th and 7th October 1947, between 10 a.m. and noon and between 2 p.m. and 4 p.m.

The Auction is subject to the Conditions of Sale published in the "Hong Kong (British Military Administration) Gazette Volume 2, No. 12, of March 1946.

Inspection permits may be obtained from

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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONG KONG

PROBATE JURISDICTION

IN THE GOODS of Robert Edward Shaw late of Shanghai China, Chief Engineer, deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Court has by virtue of Section 58 of the Probates Ordinance 1897, made an Order limiting the time for creditors and others to send in their claims against the above estate to the 23rd day of October 1947.

All creditors and others are accordingly hereby required to send their claims to the undersigned on or before that date.

Dated the 27th day of September, 1947.

JOHNSON,
STOKES & MASTER,

Solicitors for the Administrator, Hongkong & Shanghai Bank Building.

Des Voeux Road Central, Hong Kong.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONG KONG

PROBATE JURISDICTION

IN THE GOODS of David Charles Edmondson of The Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation, Hongkong, deceased.

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PROBATE JURISDICTION

IN THE GOODS of Sir Vandeleur Molyneux Gray-burn of Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation, Victoria in the Colony of Hongkong, Knight, deceased.

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NOTICE TO MARINERS NO. 28 OF 1947

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POSITION: Waglan Island. Lat. 22° 10' 38" N., Long. 114° 15' 05" E. (approx.).

DETAILS: The former radiobeacon at Cape D'Aguilar Radio, VPS, has been temporarily replaced by a new beacon on Waglan Island the details of which are as follows:-

Frequency: 300 Kc/s.

Power: 300 Watts.

Type of Emission: Modulated C.W. (A2).

Characteristics: A dash followed by the letters W.L. repeated twice. The whole cycle being repeated every 75 seconds.

REMARKS: (a) The beacon is available to shipping between dawn and dusk daily upon request to Cape D'Aguilar Radio, V.P.S.

(b) There is no charge for this service, and no responsibility is accepted for the bearings obtained.

(c) If the beacon is found to be satisfactory it will be made permanent.

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AUTHORITY: Postmaster-General (Telecommunications Branch).

J. JOLLY, Harbour Master.

Harbour Office, 4th October, 1947.

Hong Kong.

HONG KONG GOVERNMENT MEDICAL DEPARTMENT

NOTICE

FREE VACCINATION

Employers of labour are notified that requests for vaccination against smallpox can be made to the Health Officer (Anti-Epidemic), Room 19, G.P.O. Building, third floor, telephone No. 39618.

The number of persons to be vaccinated and the name of the person in charge of the arrangements should be given in addition to the telephone number of the firm.

Firms employing less than 50 employees are requested to send their employees for vaccination to the nearest Vaccination Centre. These Centres are:-

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Shaohkwan Chinese Public Dispensary.

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Tung Wah Hospital.

Tung Wah Eastern Hospital.

Wanchai Maternity Hospital.

Old G.C.H. Out-patient Department, Queen's Road.

Queen Mary Hospital.

KOWLOON

Yau-mat Chinese Public Dispensary.

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SECOND "SPANISH WAR" IN PALESTINE IS PREDICTION

Arab Forces Would Move In

Cairo, Oct. 5.

The Arab Governments will permit volunteer armies to move freely into Palestine to fight beside Palestine Arabs if the latter are forced "to become subjects of a Jewish state," Abdel Rahman Azzam Pasha, Secretary-General of the Arab League, told the Associated Press today.

In an interview given amidst preparation for the meeting of the Arab League Council at Beirut, beginning on Tuesday, Azzam Pasha predicted "another Spanish war" would result if the United Nations approved any plan for the establishment of a Jewish state in Palestine.

"The Arab nations are not going to leave a Zionist minority free to create a dictatorship by force to dominate the Arab majority which has existed in Palestine for centuries," he said.

"We think that the effort of International Zionism to put 300,000 to 500,000 Arab people under their domination is absolutely immoral and we have the right to fight it."

Azzam Pasha, who fought the Italian in Libya after the first world war, said that the Arabs in Palestine would be crushed by the tanks, armoured cars, guns and bombs of Hagannah (the Jewish army) if they tried alone to fight against the Jewish state.

Hagannah had been able to obtain arms easily, he added, as a result of millions of American dollars contributed to Zionists.

"This year's goal for such contributions was U.S.\$170,000,000," he continued, "and during my recent visit to America I heard that they already had U.S.\$160,000,000 of it in hand."

"We do not want a clash," he declared. "We do not want to kill the Jews. However, it is no longer a Jew we are facing. It is an aggressive Imperialist. He is fixed on the idea of force and you cannot stop him except by showing another force."—Associated Press.

When Japs Offered To Help China

New York, Oct. 4.

Collier's Magazine, in an article by the former Secretary of Treasury, Mr. Henry Morgenthau, reported today that President Roosevelt repeatedly used his Treasury Department during the 1930's to seek strengthen non-Axis nations against forthcoming aggression by Germany, Italy and Japan.

The late President often circumvented the State Department especially in the preliminary steps leading to diplomatic recognition of the Soviet Union.

Relating the Treasury's policy in purchasing silver at high prices, Morgenthau relates "The policy also was important in efforts to help China's shattered economy and in the President's desire to stiffen her against Japan."

"In 1934 the need for meeting with representatives of Chiang Kai-shek's Government to work out a plan to aid China became obvious, but the State Department hung back, and seemed unable to straighten out all the diplomatic complexities involved."

Jap Offer
"Then on a Sunday night in February, 1935, Bullitt went unexpectedly to the White House and told the President that the Chinese Minister, Dr. Sze, had shown him a confidential cable which Sze felt he could not take to the State Department because he wanted to be sure the information reached the Chief Executive."

"The cable said Japan had offered to assist China and join her in opposing American efforts to hold up the price of silver (possibly by dumping large amounts of silver to depress the market) in return for Japanese economic control of all China north of the Yellow River."—United Press.

'Lazy, Not Hungry,' U.S. Verdict

Berlin, Oct. 5.

Mr. John Taber, Chairman of the United States House of Representatives Appropriations Committee, which must approve any measures for stop-gap or long-term aid to Europe, declared here today that Europeans were lazy and showed no signs of hunger.

Mr. Taber, who is a member of one of the Congressional groups touring Europe, told a press conference that in the cities he had visited, he noticed no visible signs of under-nourishment.

Asserting that the Europeans failed to take things seriously enough, he added: "They do not work by far so energetically as they ought to."

The German agency said that Allied correspondents "strongly contradicted" Mr. Taber's charge that "nourishment was adequate."

BIG JEWEL THEFT IN NEW YORK

New York, Oct. 5.
A bandit who threatened to shoot Mrs. Sari Gaber, Hilton and her infant daughter today, robbed the beautiful red-haired, divorced wife of hotel magnate Conrad Hilton of nearly \$750,000 in jewels.

The robber escaped with 25 pieces of jewellery in what police said was one of the greatest jewel thefts in New York history.—Associated Press.

British Meat Held Up

Buenos Aires, Oct. 4.
The entire administrative staff of the big Argentine shipping firm of Frigorifico Anglo, which sends meat to Britain, struck today to back demands for higher pay.

Today's strike followed daily three-hour token strikes since last Thursday when the strikers threatened to walk out altogether if their demands were not met by today.

Other workers were unaffected by the strike of the administrative staff—though meat packing operations were held up.

There are hopes that an agreement may be reached and work resumed by Monday.—Reuter.

Bid For Ancient Tapestries

Warsaw, Oct. 5.

The Polish Government spokesman tonight announced that legal experts were to be called to assist in the recovery of historic Polish treasures taken to Canada during the war.

"The Canadian Government will not give the Gobelin tapestries and the bones of the kings of the Middle Ages to representatives of the Polish nation," he said.

"It refused to help us with our claim and proposed to mediate between the Polish Government recognised by Canada and a group of gangsters representing nobody."

"We will ask specialists in international law to take legal measures against these gangsters, whoever they may be."

A Canadian Government spokesman denied yesterday that his Government had ever taken charge of the missing treasures, even temporarily.—Reuter.

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HARDON—On October 4, 1947 at French Convent Hospital to Rosalind (nee Ellers), wife of Charles Hardon, gift of a daughter (both well). Bombay and Shanghai papers please copy.

VYSHINSKY AGAIN

Mr. Vyshinsky's violent retort to Mr. Marshall's criticism of Soviet non-cooperation before the General Assembly of the United Nations has further darkened the prevailing pessimism over the international outlook. A common reaction is that it has widened the rift between East and West; but it is difficult to see what way a bad situation is really made worse by this outburst. There was nothing in the speech which has not been the common currency of Communist propaganda for many months past. Its nature—a counter-attack, not a reasoned reply to what were factual criticisms—is exactly in accordance with Russian tactics from the very first days of the Security Council's existence. Then it will be recalled, the Soviet responded to Persia's complaints by instigating counter-accusations against Britain over Greece and Indonesia. In fact one wonders why Mr. Vyshinsky delayed for 24 hours before rendering what may now be regarded as the scaled pattern for Russia's response to any complaint, however reasonable.

The charge that the United States and the United Kingdom are "putting the brakes on the realisation of disarmament" shows every sign of being a development of a careful manoeuvre to put the Western Powers at least verbally in the wrong. Mr. Vyshinsky evidently bases his contention—in so far as he requires a factual basis at all—on the rejection of the disingenuous Russian proposals for a "census" of troops. It is quite impossible that anyone who has access to the facts could be deceived by his assertions concerning atomic control. That a promising American scheme for control has been utterly frustrated by Soviet refusal to accept any form of international inspection is universally accepted on this side of the iron curtain. As all disarmament in practice must wait upon atomic control, the onus for applying the brake rests fairly and squarely on the Russians. Their justification for assuming this attitude has been a nice regard for national sovereignty, the grounds on which the refusal to participate in the Paris conference on the Marshall proposals was founded. The genuineness of their concern for the integrity of States other than their own was then demonstrated by a most open employment of strong pressure to prevent their neighbours also from taking part in the conference.

Old grievances about British troops in Egypt, Greece and Transjordan, and about American troops in China, scarcely make so much weight in a true balance as the procrastination over an Austrian peace treaty so that an excuse can be found for retaining Russian troops in Hungary. If more is needed on the Western end of the scales of judgement, the contrasting attitudes of Britain and Russia to the discussion by the Security Council of Greece and Persia may be recalled. While the Soviet used every endeavour to keep the question of Persia from the agenda of the Council, Britain, in the words of Mr. Bevin, "wanted the facts on the table."

In order to quash discussion of this vexed Persian affair, Mr. Gromyko started his famous "walk-out" of the Council in March, 1946. Now Mr. Vyshinsky again demands that the question should be removed from the agenda. This fresh move coincides in a suggestive manner with a Soviet Note to the United Nations Government of 31st March, 1947, in which the Soviet Government

Basic English—The New Artificial Language

By L. ROBERTS

It was recently announced that Britain's Government had acquired the copyright of "Basic English" for the sum of £25,000. With this an important step has been taken in an interesting development, introduced during World War II by Mr. Winston Churchill.

What is "Basic English"? A somewhat pedantic definition would be as follows—"Basic English" is a new artificial language developed in accordance with scientific principles designed to be used as a means of understanding in conjunction with the language spoken in every country.

There has been no lack, in the course of many hundreds of years, of ingenious attempts at forming a new *lingue franca*, which, apart from its practical value, would be able to serve the cause of international understanding. But it would be wrong to compare "Basic English" to such artificial linguistic creations as Esperanto, Ido, Nulango, Novial, or whatever other names we may like to give them. "Basic English" is certainly an artificial language, but only in the sense that, with a small vocabulary, it has developed out of the artificial limitations of an already existing language which has grown organically over many centuries. It is pure English built on only 850 words.

Few Verbs

"Basic English" is the brilliant invention of a British philologist, C. K. Ogden, the Director of the Orthological Institute at Cambridge. He began working on the language in 1920 and 12 years elapsed before he published his system. The amazing result of his work was a language, of which the entire vocabulary can be written on a sheet of notepaper. "Basic English" consists of 600 nouns, 150 adjectives and 100 "operations" such as verbs, prepositions and adverbs. What is especially noticeable is the small number of verbs. The great idea behind Ogden's system is the replacing the many verbs in the English language by a combination of literally 18 verbs and a number of prepositions without once altering the sense of the original verbs or turns of phrases. Closer study has revealed that it is thus possible to express as much with 850 words of "Basic English" as with the 20,000 words of the normal English vocabulary. This vocabulary is insufficient if it is a question of translating a scientific

treatise into "Basic English": in this case the basic vocabulary of 850 words must be increased by 100 to 150 technical terms.

Adaptations from the Bible as well as from selected works of such writers as Jonathan Swift and Robert Louis Stevenson have shown that "Basic English" can perform great tasks, for it is a clear and powerful language. It lacks, as can be expected, the amazing wealth of colour and expressive precision of current English. The famous standard "Oxford English Dictionary" contains 414,825 words and how can a mere 850 take their place without the language becoming both anemic and impoverished? It is for this reason that many flights of "Basic English" zealots into the realms of classical literature (for example, adaptations of Shakespeare's works) have met with energetic opposition. Naturally, "Basic English" never can fully take the place of the normal language, for a man with a thorough knowledge of this shortened form is still incapable of reading the newspaper, the London "Times," a feat demanding a vocabulary of about 60,000 words. Nevertheless, this language of 850 words absolutely attains its objective as a vehicle of comprehension for ordinary intercourse; it can, moreover, be considered as the first stage in learning normal English.

Mother Tongue Of Millions

Why should the English tongue be chosen as the foundation for an international language? In the first place, English, on account of its special peculiarity, is admirably suited to the method of simplification invented by Ogden. Secondly, today English is the most widely spoken language in the world, not only is it the mo-

ther-tongue of 200,000,000 people, but it is used by many thousands more in both law and administration. English is the only language that is understood in every part of India, for example, as well as in many British Colonies and Protectorates where it forms the basis of an ordered administration in accordance with modern ideas. English is, in point of fact, the administrative language of about 600,000,000 people and it is for this reason that it comes nearest to the idea of an international auxiliary language.

In 1943 Mr. Winston Churchill submitted the advantages and the possibilities of "Basic English" to an official test. It is significant that Mr. Churchill, one of the greatest exponents of spoken and written English, was so fully convinced of the importance of Ogden's creation that he gave it attention at the most critical period of the war. A study committee was appointed, under the chairmanship of Mr. Amery, Head of the India Office, with the Minister for Education, the Colonial Secretary and the Minister for Information as members. On March 9, 1944, Mr. Churchill announced the results of this investigation in the House of Commons. The study committee emphatically recommended the dissemination of "Basic English" for two reasons—firstly, as a means for learning English, and secondly, as an international auxiliary language. Practical measures were proposed for achieving these ends.

Enthusiastic Teachers

This sensational report was based on the excellent results obtained with the new language in all parts of the world, especially in the Far East. Teachers in missionaries in China spoke enthusiastically of the astounding success that had attended their first attempts at teaching "Basic English." Results proved that Ogden's language can be mastered in six months' hard work by people of the most varied nationalities. The idea was enthusiastically adopted in the United States and a strong movement for the general adoption of "Basic English" as a new universal language was inaugurated by Ogden's former associate, I. A. Richards, who is now lecturing at Harvard University. A practical step in this direction was the introduction of radio-transmissions in "Basic English" from the United States stations.

Garbo In Love With Britain

London, Oct. 4.

The film star, Greta Garbo, left Southampton in the liner Quacy Mary for New York to-day after a two-month holiday in Britain, France and Switzerland without breaking her customary silence.

When she arrived at Southampton from London, she went straight to her cabin and locked herself in. Telephone calls to her cabin went unanswered.

The New York financier, Mr. George Schlee, who was with Garbo, told reporters: "This was Miss Garbo's first visit to England and she is madly in love with it."

Mr. Schlee said that Miss Garbo would begin work on another film, the title of which has not been disclosed, when she returned to the United States.—Reuter.

100 Years Ago

(From the files of the "China Mail")

THE HONGKONG COMMAND—A reduction is about to take place in the Military Establishment at Hong Kong. It is to cease to be a Major-General's command, and to be placed under that of a Colonel on the Staff. It is rumoured that Colonel Trevor, 69th, is likely to be selected for the appointment. Colonial retrenchment continues to engage the attention of Parliament, but in reducing the military establishment in Hong Kong it appears to us as if the British Government was acting under the erroneous impression of the peculiar position of this colony and the benefits the country from it.

Victoria Theatre, under the patronage of His Excellency the Governor:—On Wednesday evening will be performed by the AMATEURS of HMS "Columbine." Footers, well-known farce "The Mayor of Garratt," after which, a SAILOR'S HORNEPIPE, and a VARIETY of singing, to conclude with a Panjunga entitled "Harlequin Neptune" or "The Sea-God and the Fairy." By kind permission of Colonel Walker and the Officers, the Band of the 95th Regiment will lend their assistance.

J. Innes has just received a small assortment of Tartan Frills, Jams and Jellies, Sardines, Curry Powder, Bombay Chutney, Assorted Sauces, Scotch Oatmeal, Pearl Barley, Raisins in small boxes, Almonds by the lb., &c., also "Bombay" and "SCOTCH WHISKY" just landed from the "Sunda."

CARNIVAL

By Dick Turner



"You'll find this next one a bit difficult—she likes to trade recipes!"

Fear And Terror In Sinkiang

By CHANG KUO-SIN

China's north-western province of Sinkiang is enveloped in an atmosphere of war, fear and terror, with most people expecting the outbreak of a second Ili rebellion, the official Central Daily News Tihua correspondent writes in a series of two articles.

Since the "general withdrawal" of the Ili tribal leaders, including Achmadjan from the coalition provincial Government, the Ili authorities have practised a "closed door" policy vis-a-vis the Chinese Government and the three districts of Ili, Tacheng and

Other points in his dispatches were: "The first Ili rebellion in 1944 drove out all Chinese influence and authority from the Ili area and established the so-called 'Eastern Turkestan Republic.' The Government fought back and finally settled the problem with an 11-point peace agreement signed in 1945. The agreement set up a coalition provincial Government, in which the Ili leaders were given effective representation. Achmadjan, rebel chief, was made vice-governor of the province and the 'Eastern Turkestan Republic' was 'abolished.'"

However, the "republic" still exists in fact, if not in name. Achmadjan, appointed special commissioner for the Ili district after the peace agreement, is addressed as "president" (of the "republic") by his subordinates and takes orders from no one but Achmadjan.

A map showing the "republic's" territory as covering the whole of Sinkiang with Urumchi (Tihua) as capital, still hangs in his office. When a pro-Chinese Uighur leader named Mussa was appointed Governor of Sinkiang last spring against Ili protests, the Ili leaders quit the coalition Government en bloc in August.

After the withdrawal, the Ili leaders "closed their doors," as they did during the rebellion. The Manas River, running from the Soviet Union into central Sinkiang, 73 miles west of Tihua, is the dividing line with Chinese and Ili soldiers guarding opposite banks.

The Ili area is now seething with war preparation. Ili armed squads are foraging the countryside for new recruits for the army. Youths from the age of 16 are being drafted. The airfield in Ili City and the emergency landing strips west of the Manas River are being enlarged and improved. The boats on the Ili River, which used to carry agricultural products, cattle and ores, are now busily transporting arms and ammunition.

The Ili district is now a "prohibited" area and all outgoing and incoming travellers and materials are carefully screened. Gen. Chang Chin-chung, Government peace emissary and Director of the Generalissimo's Northwest Headquarters, wrote the Ili leaders on September 1, requesting them to return to Tihua and offering peace terms. But the letter remained unanswered.

The general feeling in Tihua is that the Ili issue is more complicated than before the peace agreement. Aisha, Secretary-General of the provincial Government, has asserted repeatedly that the "past year's efforts have come to nothing." Meanwhile, political insecurity is leading to the aggravation of economic conditions. Rice and flour are C.N.\$2,000- (110 pounds) respectively. The salaries class is hardest hit. It is common in Tihua for a public servant to hold two or three concurrent jobs. Local production has been cut down to 60 per cent by the large-scale drafting of manpower into the army.

War "A Possibility," Says General

Oklahoma City, Oct. 5.
War within five or six years is a "logical possibility," says Major General Leslie R. Groves, Army atomic expert.

Groves emphasised that he was not making any prediction. He modified his comments by saying that if war comes that soon, it will not begin with an atomic bomb attack on the United States, but probably

with an attack by some weapon of equally devastating effect, such as poison gas or deadly bacteria.

He said the defence of the United States at the present time depends almost entirely on the atomic bomb as the main weapon. He urged that the United States put its full support into giving the nation a substantial lead in atomic research and development.

Groves said the United States has sole possession of atomic bombs and the ability to make them. He said, "I believe that even with complete help from the United States it would take five to seven years for another country to fully develop the bomb. Without our assistance, it would take 15 to 20 years. Maybe no other country could ever make the bomb."

Groves said how soon war comes "depends upon how the United States handles things from now on."—Associated Press.

BARCLAY ON BRIDGE

By Shepard Barclay

"The Authority on Authority"

TRICKS FROM NOWHERE

One of the most amazing performances possible to a deck of cards is the production of a lot of tricks which at the beginning would seem impossible to take. As the play proceeds, one development after another creates new trick-takers for the fortunate dealer. If he notes the way that small cards get promoted and then makes maximum use of the unexpected opportunities which seem to give him tricks that came from nowhere at all.

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H K A 4 3
D A J 5
C 7 6 2

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C **CK 1044**

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(Dealer: North-South vulnerable.)

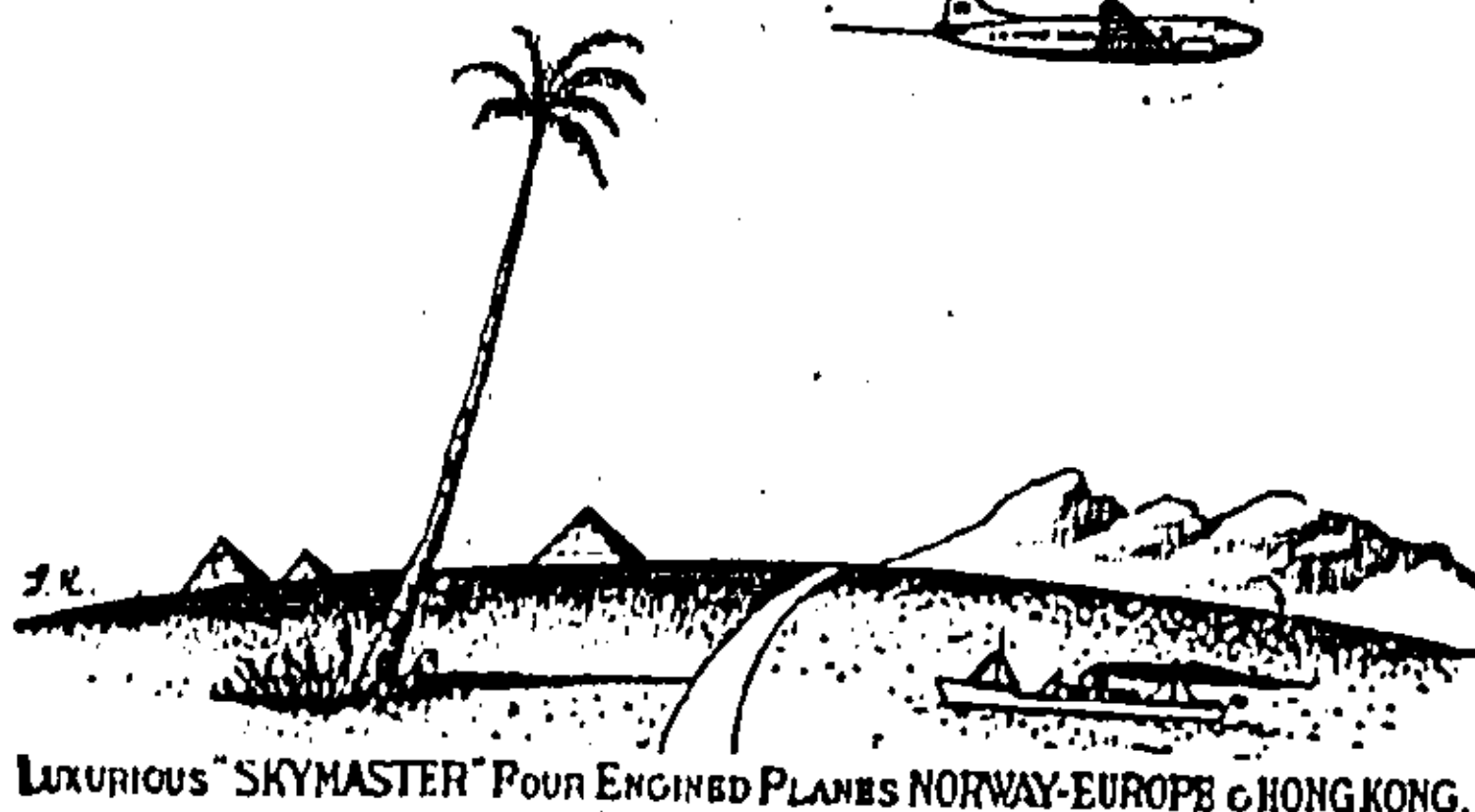
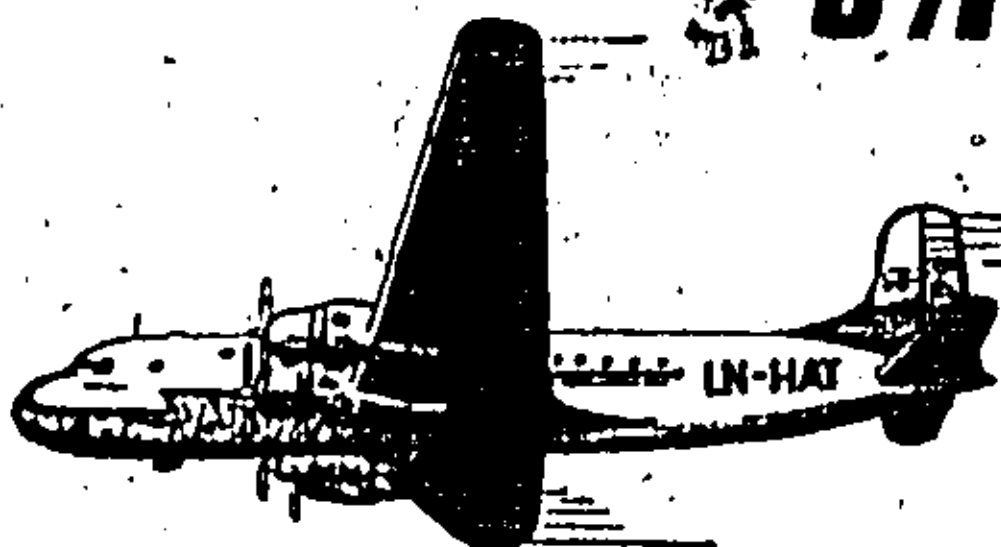
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CHINA BACKS U.S. STAND ON GREECE'S GUERRILLAS

Importance To The Future Of Peace

Lake Success, Oct. 4.
The United States rested its case in the contro-
versial Balkans question today by telling the
United Nations it would "explore" a French
proposal for conciliation of the hotly-disputed
controversy.
Earlier in the debate, China aligned herself solidly
behind the United States resolution calling on
Albania, Yugoslavia and Bulgaria to "cease
and desist" from further aid to Greek guerrillas.

Chinese delegate T. F. Tsiang
directly accused Albania,
Bulgaria and Yugoslavia of re-
sponsibility for "the border
violations that have taken place
in recent months in Greece,"
and said there was "no justi-
fication" for such attacks.

Tsiang told the Assembly's
Political Committee that "we
certainly can not accept the
claim that because the United
States and United Kingdom
Governments have given aid to
the Greek Government the
neighbours of Greece are just-
ified thereby to give armed as-
sistance to the opposition in
Greece. Such a claim, if ad-
mitted, would lead to interna-
tional anarchy."

Debating

Referring to the opposition
offered by Russia and her
Balkan satellites to any Security
Council investigation inside
Albania, Bulgaria and Yugo-
slavia, Tsiang said, "Govern-
ments which claim innocence
should not object to interna-
tional investigation and observation."
"If the Security Council is to
function at all, it must have at
least the right to send observers
to any part of the world where
serious dispute exists or where
peace is threatened. Denied that
right, the Security Council
would degenerate into a mere
debating society and the whole
structure of peace, which we
so laboriously built up at San
Francisco, would crumble."

Important

Tsiang said that China had no
direct interest in Greece but,

NEW ELECTIONS IN DENMARK

Copenhagen, Oct. 4.
The Government will issue
writs for new elections to be
held on Oct. 28.
Parliament last night passed
a vote of no confidence in M.
Knud Christensen, the Liberal
Prime Minister.—Reuter.

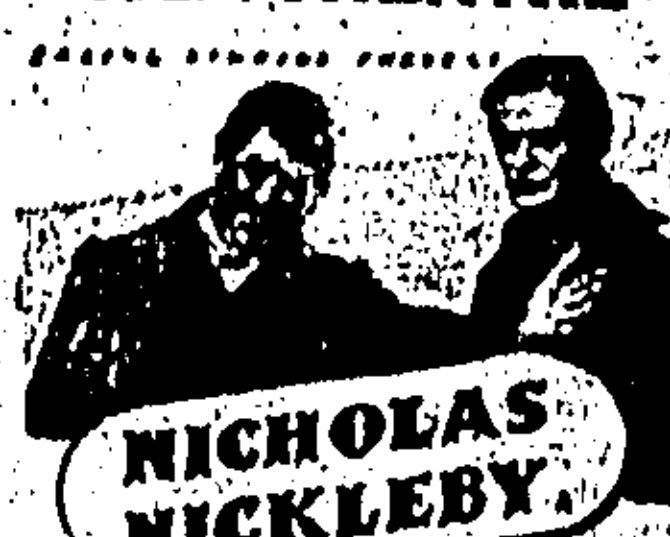
Red Technicians In America

Washington, Oct. 5.
Senator Homer Ferguson, Republican of Michi-
gan, said today that an unknown number of
Russians who have taken technical training in
American plants "have disappeared."

He protested the lack of in-
formation on them and Govern-
ment officials acknowledged they
have no idea how many such
Russian trainees still are in
this country or what they are
doing.

Both Immigration Commis-
sioner Watson Miller and As-
sistant Secretary of State
John E. Pennington wrote the
Senator that they have no re-
cords on how many Russians
have been admitted for train-
ing or are here now. Miller
said he would try to find out.

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POLIO ON DECREASE IN U. K.

London, Oct. 4.
Britain's infantile paralysis
figures fell last week for the fifth
week in succession with 441 new
cases reported in 123 principal
towns of England and Wales.
The figure was 150 lower than
the previous week.
London reported 30 new cases
compared with 53 the previous
week.—United Press.

U.N. Asked To Quit U.S.

Lake Success, Oct. 4.
The Rev. Edward Curran,
President of the International
Catholic Truth Society, is to
serve a summons on the United
Nations and the Mayor of
New York, Mr. William
O'Dwyer in an attempt to make
the United Nations vacate the
site of the proposed "world
capital" in New York and the
present General Assembly
building in Flushing Meadows.
Father Curran declares in
his petition that the United
Nations has failed in its peace
functions and has degenerated
into a sounding board for the
Soviet Union to "insult and de-
fame" the United States.
He also claims that no Amer-
ican soil should be handed
over to "foreign sovereignty."
—Reuter.

SAAR ELECTIONS MAY LEAD TO UNION WITH FRANCE

Paris, Oct. 4.
The Saar goes to the polls tomorrow in elections
which may lead to an economic union with
France.
Some 464,000 voters will be electing their first
post-war Constituent Assembly or district
parliament.

Indirectly they will be voting on
the plan for an economic union with
France which is endorsed by three of
the four main parties in the region
—the Christian Socialists, the
Socialists and the Democratic Union
—but opposed by the Communists.
It was considered in Paris that by
their votes the people will indicate
whether the "Avenir" should adopt
the draft constitution already worked
out by the commission representing
the various parties.
The economic integration of the
Saar is the main point of this con-

sultation so that Saarlanders will be
deciding whether to link their ter-
ritory with the French economy or to
cling to Germany.
Britain and the United States have
already indicated their approval of
economic attachment of the Saar to
France, but Russia has not done so.
Competent authorities in Paris ex-
pected that 70 to 80 per cent of
Saarlanders will vote for candidates
favouring an economic union with
France.
The Saar coal mines at present
produce about 6,000,000 tons of coal
yearly—just under one-tenth of
France's normal pre-war require-
ments and about one-sixth of her
present domestic coal production.
All the parties in France—except
the Communists—favour the ter-
ritory's union with France. The
French Communist Party has not
expressed its views.—Reuter.

Revisionist Group In Germany?

Berlin, Oct. 4.
Marshal of the Royal Air Force, Sir Sholto Dou-
glas, Military Governor in Germany, has ordered
an immediate investigation into Polish
allegations that an organisation of former
German industrialists and businessmen from
Germany's lost Eastern territories is actively
engaged in revisionist propaganda from its
headquarters in Hamburg.

According to the protest of
Major General Prawin, chief
of the Polish Military Mission
in Berlin, who has asked the
British authorities to have the
organisation dissolved, the
group is known as "the repre-
sentative of Eastern German
enterprises east of the Oder-
Neisse line"—between the Ger-
man-Polish frontier.

The Polish general said that
statistics showed that its mem-
bers were merchants and fac-
tory owners who, before the
German collapse, lived in the
present Polish-administered
Western Provinces.
The protest described the or-
ganisation as "a pernicious
element of revisionist propa-
ganda circulated to prevent
German refugees from recon-
ciling themselves to the idea of
a permanent home in Germany
and encouraging them to cherish
hopes of an eventual return to
the Western Polish territories."

The Polish complaint was re-
ceived a few days ago. It was
at once studied by Sir Sholto
Douglas.
The result of the investigation
will be reported to the British
Government next week.

Blocking Of Sugar Barges

Paris, Oct. 4.
The Government today
announced that four
barges loaded with sugar
destined for Germany
have been blocked in the
canal at Epernay, two
kilometers from Rheims.

The Government said that
Paris newspaper reports this
morning that 19 barges loaded
with sugar are being held up at
Epernay are false. The news-
papers had reported what looked
like a repetition of the recent
sugar battle at Verdun, where
two barges had been stopped two
weeks ago, and now that 17 others
are being held up.
The Government said four
barges at Epernay had been
blocked by material from a bridge
which had been destroyed during
the war and was now under re-
construction.
The newspapers reported the
blockade was the result of mem-
bers of the local labour union
pushing wreckage into the canal
under the direction of the union
leader to stop the barges.—Unit-
ed Press.

No Merger In Czechoslovakia

Prague, Oct. 4.
The Czechoslovak Social
Democratic Party would "de-
finitely not merge with any
other party," M. Zdenek Fier-
linger, leader of the party and
Czechoslovak Vice-Premier, said
today when he returned to
Prague from a visit to Warsaw.
The Party must, however, he
said, "conscientiously follow a
policy of conciliation and co-
operation with all Socialist and
Democratic elements in Czechoslovakia."
During his conversations with
Polish statesmen, M. Fierlinger
said that he had stressed the
independence of Czechoslovakia's
Social Democratic Party.
The situation in Poland was
similar, he said.
He advocated closer coopera-
tion, not only between the two
countries, but also between
their Social Democratic Parties.
—Reuter.

DOUBTERS WRONG

Johannesburg, Oct. 4.
Field-Marshal Jan Smuts, South
African Prime Minister, declared in
a speech near here today that
despite the almost universal idea
that the Witwatersrand gold was
petting out, the doubters were
wrong.
Field-Marshal Smuts was opening
the gateway to a park on the site
where the main gold reef was dis-
covered.—Reuter.

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The First Bell will be rung at 2.30 p.m. and the first race
will be run at 3.00 p.m. each day.
Through numbers (18 races—\$28) may be obtained at the
Office of the Treasurer, 1st Floor, Exchange Building. All
tickets for the Special Cash Sweep (\$2,000) on the Kwangtung
Handicap.

KWANGTUNG HANDICAP
The sale of cash sweep tickets on the Kwangtung Handicap
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MEMBERS' BADGES AND ENCLOSURE
Members are reminded that they and their ladies MUST
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Meeting.

**NO ONE WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED TO
THE MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.**
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through the Secretary on the written or personal introduction
of a member, such member to be responsible for all chits etc.
Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will NOT be on
sale at the RACE COURSE.

The Treasurer's Comptroller Office will close at 11 a.m.
and the Secretary's Office at 12.00 noon. Both Offices at 1st
Floor, Exchange Building.

A limited number of tickets will be obtainable at the
Club House, provided they are ordered in advance from the
No. 1 Box (Tel. 27618).

**NO CHILDREN WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE CLUB'S
PREMISES DURING THE MEETING.**

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE
The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$3 each
day including tax for all persons including ladies, and is payable
at the Gate.
Bookmakers, Tipsters, etc., will not be permitted to
operate within the precincts of The Hong Kong Jockey Club
during the Race Meeting.
Refreshments will be obtainable in the Restaurant in the
Public Enclosure.

SERVANTS' PASSES
Passes for Servants will be issued to Private Box holders
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2nd half Nov.

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Mid October Sailing for:
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Colombo/Suez/Port Said/
Genoa/Marseilles/
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Copenhagen/Gotenburg/
Oslo
2nd half November.

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Mid November Sailing for:
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ARRIVALS

From	Date	Vessel
Atlantic Coast	20th Oct.	m.v. "DONA ANICETA"
Los Angeles	Mid Nov.	m.v. "MINDORO"
Shanghai	In Port	m.v. "BENARES"

SAILINGS

For	Date	Vessel
Atlantic Coast	6th Oct.	m.v. "BENARES"
Los Angeles	24th Oct.	m.v. "DONA ANICETA"
Los Angeles	Mid Nov.	m.v. "MINDORO"

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VOLUNTARY RATIONING TO BE ASKED OF AMERICANS Saving On Meats And Liquor

Washington, Oct. 5.
The Administration appeared today to be staking
all its hopes of meeting Europe's critical food
needs on the voluntary cooperation of indi-
vidual Americans. Any return to wartime price
controls and rationing—for the present at least
—seemed out of the question.

The Secretary of Agriculture, Mr. Clinton Anderson, outlined what presumably is the Administration's point of view on Mutual's "Meet the Press" radio programme.

He said if voluntary measures won't work then nothing will. His statement was made as Americans were asked to go along without fancy grades of meat, skip a little on lard and perhaps high quality brands of liquor to save an extra 100,000,000 bushels of grain for Western Europe.

Meanwhile Charles Buckman, chairman of President Truman's new food committee, has scheduled a meeting with representatives of the nation's beer manufacturers to see what they can do to help out in the food conservation programme.

Less Whiskey

Distillers already have agreed to quit using wheat for alcohol and to reduce their consumption of other grains by 50 per cent for the remainder of the food crisis. This might have an early effect on blended whiskey supplies. There also is a chance distillers might hold back blended liquors to stretch their supplies as far as possible.

Anderson said he is convinced consumers and farmers will cooperate to put the food drive over. But if they don't, he said, mandatory controls won't work either because they also depend on voluntary cooperation of the people and on their willingness to boycott the black market.

Other Administration officials have expressed the fear that return to price controls and rationing would result in a widespread black market in food which might outweigh any savings.

Truman Appeal

Other food developments included:
1. Secretary of Commerce Averell Harriman said his Foreign Aid Committee favours an immediate increase in the grain margin requirements to prevent inflationary speculation;
2. Anderson urged farmers to send hogs to market at lighter weights and not feed cattle to better than good slaughter grade. He said this would save up to 200,000,000 bushels of grain if every farmer cooperated;

3. President Truman, Secretary of State Marshall and Luckman have put the finishing touches on their radio appeal to the nation on Sunday night in which they will ask the public to support the food saving campaign. They are expected to point to the gravity of the situation in Europe and explain the need for cooperation of individual citizens rather than present any comprehensive new programme.

The final overall programme probably will not be announced until next week after Luckman had another meeting with his Committee. He is now working on such a programme and hopes to have it ready by Thursday or Friday.—United Press.

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GOLD FOR BRITAIN

Johannesburg, Oct. 4.
Dr. M. H. Dicks, Governor of the South African Reserve Bank arrived in Johannesburg by air today from London after completing negotiations for gold in Britain by supplying her with more gold.
It was understood that immediate help will be the supply of £76,000,000 in gold in the form of a loan for the purpose of buying gold from South Africa, payment being made in Sterling, said the Sunday Times in Johannesburg.—Associated Press.

Luxury Liner Held Up

San Francisco, Oct. 5.
Pickets of the Congress of Industrial Organization's Warehousemen and Longshoremen's Union today halted loading of the liner Matsushita five hours before she was to have sailed for Honolulu with about 50 passengers and a heavy cargo.

The company said pickets appeared a half hour after walking bosses demanded the company negotiate with collective bargaining representatives.

The Union said the Matsushita was being picketed because "it was diverted away from Los Angeles Harbour where Employers and Longshore Unions are in a deadlock".—Associated Press.

ARGENTINE GOLD

Buenos Aires, Oct. 4.
Sovereign, buyers 67.25, sellers 68.50; U.S. \$20 Eagle, 122.00, 124.00; 9.87%, Amsterdam 162.30; Lisbon Gold, Bar, per gramme, 6.25, 6.40.—Reuter.

ZURICH EXCHANGE

Zurich, Oct. 4.
Zurich On London 17.35, New York 4.30, Paris 3.62%, Brussels 3.87%, Amsterdam 162.30, Lisbon 16.05, Buenos Aires 165.50, Stockholm 119.63, Madrid 127.75.—Reuter.

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"SHANGHAI" Shanghai 4 p.m. 11th Oct.
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"SHANGHAI" Shanghai 4 p.m. 13th Oct.
"SHANGHAI" Shanghai 4 p.m. 14th Oct.
"SHANGHAI" Shanghai 4 p.m. 15th Oct.

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"SHANGHAI" Tientsin, Shanghai & Foochow 5th Oct.
"SHANGHAI" Swatow 4 p.m. 6th Oct.
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Canton (By Train), 7 a.m.

Airmail for Manila P.I. (Reg.) 8 a.m.

Hankow, 10 a.m.

Shanghai, 10 a.m.

Macao, Tientsin and Shekai, 1 p.m.

Canton (By Train), 2 p.m.

Airmail for Manila P.I. (Reg.) 3 p.m.

Hankow, 3 p.m.

Shanghai, 3 p.m.

Macao, Tientsin and Shekai, 4 p.m.

Canton, 4 p.m.

TUESDAY, OCT. 7

Canton (By Train), 7 a.m.

Macao, Tientsin and Shekai, 8 a.m.

Airmail for Manila P.I. (Reg.) 8 a.m.

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Canton, 4 p.m.

Airmail for Manila P.I. (Reg.) 5 p.m.

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Canton, 10 p.m.

Airmail for Manila P.I. (Reg.) 11 p.m.

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Macao, Tientsin and Shekai, 12 p.m.

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"Pom-Pom" Girls In Tokyo Earn Good Money

Tokyo, Oct. 5. Japan's new crop of prostitutes, commonly known among Japanese as "pom-pom" girls and sometimes as "girls of the dark," earn 3,000 yen (\$50 under the Army 50 to 1 conversion rate) to 10,000 yen a month.

Officials of the Japanese Home Ministry today told a Diet committee that these girls even get as much as 50,000 yen a month.

The police occasionally conduct round-ups of women who frequent the downtown sections, particularly the railway stations, at night but apparently cannot do much to halt the practice.

By means of an effect grapevine system the girls disperse rapidly when the police get into cars for round-ups.

Some have established themselves as bosses of different areas and no new girl can try to tempt men in their districts without their permission. Strong arm tactics are resorted to discourage "intruders."

V.D. Rate

In the six largest cities of Japan—Tokyo, Yokohama, Osaka, Kyoto, Kobe and Nagoya—there are an estimated 14,800 of these girls, according to Home Ministry officials. Of this number 40 per cent are afflicted with venereal disease. The officials said 4,400 were driven to prostitution because of livelihood difficulties including war widows such as wives of former Kamikaze fliers.

The girls work at night and with their earnings sleep in cheap hotels and then walk the parks during the day. In the late afternoon they go to public baths, make up and then start "working."—United Press.

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BRITISH MISSION FOR SIAM

Karachi, Oct. 4. A British aviation mission will go to Siam soon "to negotiate and conclude an agreement for a regular commercial air service."

Lord Nathan, Minister for Civil Aviation, told Reuters today.

Lord Nathan arrived in Karachi yesterday after a two-month tour of Australia, New Zealand, China, Japan, Siam and Ceylon.—Reuters.

Norway Issues A Warning

Lake Success, Oct. 4. The Norwegian delegation today warned the United Nations Economic Committee that the economic division of Europe might, in the long run, have dangerous political consequences for the United Nations.

"Norway's hope was and will be to integrate the work of the 18 nations at the Paris Economic Conference with the activities of the European Economic Commission."

"In making this appeal, we are fully aware that such integration requires a new front from those taking part in the Marshall plan as well as from those countries which did not take part."—Reuters.

COLLABORATION TRIALS IN CHINA

Nanking, Oct. 5. The Ministry of Judicial Administration expects to complete all collaboration trials throughout China by the end of 1948, having completed the trial of 22,601 cases thus far.

Figures released by the Ministry showed that the trial of 8,809 cases is going on while

procurators are still investigating 7,769 other cases.—United Press.

'Reds Have Nuclear Fission Formula'

Washington, Oct. 5. The Rev. Edmund A. Walsh of Georgetown University told an F.B.I. gathering today that "there can be little doubt that Russia now has the formula for nuclear fission and blueprints 'for the atom bomb'."

"She is feverishly developing her search for uranium in order to produce atomic bombs to match the present strategic advantage of the American democracy," he said.

"There can be little doubt that Russia now has the formula for nuclear fission and blueprints for the bomb. What remains is the production of them or something worse in sufficient quantities to prove effective. That production should be possible in something less than five years."

Father Walsh said that when the war ended, Germany was perfecting a submarine capable of circling the world without having to surface.

"The blueprints for that submarine are now in the hands of the Soviet Government," he said, adding that such a submarine could move under water up and down the American coast and hurl atomic missiles into cities.—Associated Press.

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